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## A chilly reminder

Councillors and community members gather by a bonfire in the municipal parking lot to raise awareness of homelessness and funds for Places for People at the Sleeping in Cars event on Friday, March 1. From left, Mayor Brent Devolin, councillors Pam Sayne and Ron Nesbitt, and Max Ward and Fay Martin of Places for People. Read more on page 2./SUE TIFFIN Staff



## Proposed health care changes will benefit riding: MPP

by CHAD INGRAM  
Times Staff

Haliburton-Kawartha Lakes-Brock MPP and Ontario Labour Minister Laurie Scott says her government's overhaul of Ontario's health-care system is about reducing bureaucracy, eliminating a culture of silo care, and bringing health care back to a more locally controlled level.

Last week, Health Minister Christine Elliott announced sweeping changes to the health-care system that will restructure it completely. The plan is for the government to dissolve the Local Health Integration Networks (LHINs), folding their operations into a single, large agency to oversee health care in the province. The so-called super agency will include the former LHINs along with six other provincial health agencies, including eHealth Ontario and Cancer Care Ontario.

"If you're a patient, the layers you have to go through to get the health care you need can be incredibly challenging," Scott told the

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## Financing options for the arena project

by CHAD INGRAM  
Times Staff

Minden Hills councillors heard about a couple of options for financing the township's arena renewal project during a Feb. 28 meeting.

In a 4-3 vote last month, council approved proceeding with the project, which will include the construction of a new arena and gymnasium and carry a price tag of approximately \$12.5 million. The plan is for

the township to seek funding or financing for \$11.5 million of that, and undertake a fundraising campaign to assist with the remainder. Mayor Brent Devolin has said he believes that a million dollars could potentially be raised.

During the Feb. 28 meeting, councillors heard a presentation from Gavin Maitland of Infrastructure Ontario, which is an agency of the provincial government, regarding its loan program. Infrastructure Ontario, as Maitland explained, provides low-risk, low-cost loans

for public infrastructure renewal projects that can run the gamut from replacement of vehicles to multi-million-dollar facilities. It provides loans not just to municipalities and municipal corporations but also universities, housing providers, and a host of non-profit agencies.

"The terms that we offer are very flexible," Maitland told councillors, explaining that terms of loans are often designed to match the useful life of the asset. Loans are

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# County comes out in support of housing fundraiser

by **FAY MARTIN**  
*Places for People*

Haliburton County stepped up to the plate to learn about homelessness, rural style, where losing the roof over your head, when couch-surfing has worn out, may well mean sleeping in a car, or some other circumstance not meant for human habitation – an RV, a shack, a tent, under the stars.

Through the month of February 2019, print and radio media in the county helped Places for People raise awareness about what homelessness looks like in our community. The *Echo/Times* ran articles weekly throughout the month, as did the *Haliburton Highlander*. Gabrielle Holmes of Canoe FM hosted a weekly interview that included Jocelyn Blazey, who organizes the Registry Week that attempts to put some metrics to hidden homelessness; and Marilynne Lesperance of the Minden Food Bank, which has modified its practice to accommodate people who live in cars or in other circumstances where they do not have capacity to cook. They made an excellent contribution to the primary goal for this project, which was to raise awareness about homelessness in our community.

Places for People challenged residents to walk the proverbial “mile in their moccasins” by sleeping in their vehicles on the night of March 1-2, in any of three sites in the county – the parking lot outside the council chambers in Minden, the lower parking lot of the library in Haliburton Village, and behind Lloyd Watson Centre in Wilberforce. It challenged people who supported the cause but for whatever reason couldn’t sleep out that night to pledge those that did. The response has been very encouraging, and there is seri-



Earl Johnson and Eric Casper, of County Road One, sang songs with themes of homelessness at the Sleeping in Cars event held in Minden on March 1. /SUE TIFFIN Staff

ous talk about making this an annual event so we can continue to broaden awareness and make progress at eliminating the need for people to sleep in cars.

The event, at each site, consisted of a gathering around a campfire from 7 to 9 p.m., at which supporters and allies could offer their company and encouragement. Two-thirds of the County Road 1 band joined the Minden group to offer a repertoire of music with a housing theme, appreciated by a good gaggle of supporters. Other sites shared stories and fine-tuned their plans for the challenge ahead. In the morning, the Sleepers gathered in a warm spot with hot beverages

and breakfast for a reflection on their experience. Unfortunately, a plan to join the three sites by Skype didn’t materialize. The Community Kitchen arrived with food and drink for Minden Sleepers, and in Haliburton and Wilberforce, the site organizers (Ebonne Fayer in Haliburton and Nataly Mylan in Wilberforce) themselves provided the food.

Six Sleepers tucked into variously commodious vehicles in Minden, three in Haliburton, and 10 in Wilberforce. The Wilberforce contingent had a strong focus on families – one couple and three families were Sleepers, so there was heightened awareness of how family responsibilities would impact on the state

of mind – and the state of living – of people who “choose” to sleep in vehicles. One of the younger Sleepers in Haliburton experienced anxiety and discomfort to the point where she considered bailing in the middle of the night (but didn’t – good on you!). The Minden group also noted that being part of an approved group event ameliorated the sense of isolation and vulnerability that would otherwise loom large. They also meditated on the loneliness of dealing with what goes through your mind when you can’t get to sleep – cold toes, cold nose, discomfort of various sorts – and concluded that if your circumstances were dire, those sleepless hours would be very long indeed, and the prospect of more than one night in such a situation overwhelming. Bodily functions assumed new profile: the misery of needing to pee in the night, the importance of access to a washroom to brush teeth and comb hair in the morning, the discomfort of trying to sleep in cold or cramped conditions. One night is an interesting challenge – but pretty much everyone agreed that more than one night would be soul-sucking and began to conjecture about the extremes to which they might go if faced with that reality.

The event was also a fundraiser for Places for People; all proceeds will go to the current project, a one-bedroom apartment in its Cardiff property that is currently underway. The initial intent was to use the prospect of pledging as a way of broadening the conversation, but financial support for Sleepers has been impressive. Many people, well over 100, said they couldn’t be Sleepers for whatever reason, all of them good, but pledged support to those who took the challenge. Haliburton, with the fewest Sleepers, pledged big, over

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## THE TOWNSHIP OF MINDEN HILLS IN SEASON, EVERY SEASON PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Minden Hills proposes to consider by-laws to stop up, close, and convey those parcels of land more particularly described as follows:

1. **File No. PLSRA2018023:** Part of the original shore road allowance along the shore of Gull Lake, lying in front of Registered Plan No. 1, Violet Street (Closed), Geographic Township of Lutterworth, designated as Part 10, on a Plan of Survey 19R-10201, registered January 14, 2019.
2. **File No. PLSRA2018024:** Part of the original shore road allowance along the shore of Gull Lake, lying in front of Lot 8, Concession 13, Geographic Township of Lutterworth, designated as Part 11, on a Plan of Survey 19R-10201, registered January 14, 2019.
3. **File No. PLSRA2018025:** Part of the original shore road allowance along the shore of Gull Lake, lying in front of Lot 8, Concession 13, Geographic Township of Lutterworth, designated as Part 12, on a Plan of Survey 19R-10201, registered January 14, 2019.
4. **File No. PLSRA2018026:** Part of the original shore road allowance along the shore of Gull Lake, lying in front of Lot 7 & 8, Concession 13, Geographic Township of Lutterworth, designated as Part 13, on a Plan of Survey 19R-10201, registered January 14, 2019.
5. **File No. PLSRA2018035:** Part of the original shore road allowance along the shore of Gull Lake, lying in front of Lot 20, Concession 10, Geographic Township of Lutterworth, designated as Part 2 & 3, on a Plan of Survey 19R-10177, registered November 20, 2018.
6. **File No. PLSRA2018070:** Part of the original shore road allowance along the shore of Kashagawigamog Lake, lying in front of Lot 22, Concession 4, Geographic Township of Minden, designated as Part 1, on a Plan of Survey 19R-10199, registered January 14, 2019.
7. **File No. PLSRA2018071:** Part of the original shore road allowance along the shore of Bob Lake, lying in front of Lot 11, Concession 2, Geographic Township of Anson, designated as Part 1, on a Plan of Survey 19R-10164, registered September 28, 2018.
8. **File No. PLSRA2018075:** Part of the original shore road allowance along the shore of Kashagawigamog Lake, lying in front of Lot 19 & 20, Concession 2, Geographic Township of Minden, designated as Part 1, on a Plan of Survey 19R-10200, registered January 14, 2019.

The above noted plans of surveys are available for inspection in the Building and Planning Department located at 7 Milne Street, Minden, Ontario during regular office hours. Additional information may be obtained by contacting the undersigned at 705-286-1260 (x206) or by e-mail at iclendenning@mindenhills.ca.

**AND FURTHER TAKE NOTICE** that the proposed By-Laws will come before the said Council for consideration at its regular meeting to be held in the Municipal Council Chambers at 7 Milne Street, Minden, Ontario, on **Thursday, March 14, 2019** at the hour of 9:00 AM. At that time, Council will hear in person or by their counsel, solicitor, or agent, any person who claims that their land will be prejudicially affected and who applies to be heard. If deemed advisable, the proposed By-laws will be passed at its regular meeting to be held on **Thursday, March 28, 2019**.

**DATED AT THE** Township of Minden Hills, this March 7, 2019  
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# Thousands raised for Places for People

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\$2,000. Wilberforce Sleepers brought in about \$950 and Minden just under \$4,000. Minden also deserves kudos for 100 per cent council support – two councillors were Sleepers, two others intended to but were derailed by last-minute obligations, and the remaining three gathered and all pledged generously. We can confidently say the overall total of pledges received – including those few still outstanding – was more than \$6,000.

Places for People considers this a very successful event and is open to the rising tide of recommendation that it become an annual event. We tried hard to engage high school students this year, which unfortunately didn't succeed, but the Interact Club is planning a parallel event that meets the school's security standards. Hopefully, next year we might be able to bring these together – which is important, because young people are the most at risk for having to sleep in cars, since many resources available to adults are not available to them.

# HHHS well suited for new system, CEO says

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*Times*. "Too many layers of bureaucracy."

Scott, who worked as nurse before she was first elected to the legislature in 2003, said for patients managing chronic illnesses, it has meant getting treatment through a number of different organizations.

"All these agencies have different functions," Scott said. "It's breaking down the silos. It had to have a major, transformational shift."

Scott said having to deal with various agencies has meant some patients getting lost between the cracks, and have had to act as their own medical historians.

"It is a big transformation that is happening for a system that is not working," she said.

Scott was asked if the transformation would mean job losses in the health-care sector.

"Not frontline care deliverers, no," she replied, indicating that as things are restructured it's possible there will be bureaucratic-type job losses.

Ontario NDP leader Andrea Horwath and other critics have said they believe the creation of a single-agency model could lead to the contracting out of health-care services to private providers.

Scott said the PC party is committed to universal access to a publicly funded health-

care system.

"It's part of who we are as Canadians and Ontarians," she told the *Times*.

The government has said that family health teams and people's access to their family physicians will not change.

Rather than an instituted integration framework from the top down as was created and enforced under the LHINs, the single-agency model will encourage health-care providers to form integrated groups amongst themselves, and submit proposals for those groups, of which it's expected there will be 30 to 50 in the province. There are 14 LHINs.

"It's going to evolve those partnerships . . . some already exist," Scott said, referring to service agreements between Haliburton Highlands Health Services and Lindsay's Ross Memorial Hospital, for instance.

As for a timeline, Scott said that is not completely clear, but said the complete transformation will take a few years.

At HHHS, CEO Carolyn Plummer said the organization's model seems to fit well within the system the province is enacting.

"Although it is still too soon to know what impact this will have specifically on HHHS, the ministry's proposed health team approach appears to align well with the health hub approach we have taken," Plummer said in an email to the *Times*. "We have already integrated hospital, long-term care, community support services, and mental health

services, and HHHS already works in partnership with Home and Community Care, as well as primary care providers at the Haliburton Highlands Family Health team. We also have strong partnerships with other larger health centres in the broader region, which help us facilitate access to services for people in Haliburton County.

"I'm pleased to see the emphasis the ministry has placed on helping people to navigate the health system, as this has been a focus of ours as well over the past few years. I'm proud of the strategic goals we have established as an organization and pleased to see how well they align with the ministry's vision."

"It is also too soon to know what impact the super agency – Ontario Health – will have," Plummer added. "We currently work closely with the Central East LHIN, as well as others included in the proposed agency such as Ornge, Cancer Care Ontario, and Health Quality Ontario; we will be watching closely over the coming weeks to learn more about how the proposed changes will be implemented and how they will affect us."

In an email, HHHS board chairman Jeff Gollob told the *Times*, "It is just too soon to be able to assess the practical impact of the changes, particularly in terms of the trickle-down effect at a local level, and how this might impact HHHS. There are many details still to be filled in."

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### COUNCIL MEETINGS

Public Welcome

Meetings are held in the Minden Council Chambers, 7 Milne Street.

Mar 14 - COTW Meeting

Mar 28 - Regular Meeting of Council

For Council, Boards & Advisory Committee meetings, visit [www.mindenhills.ca](http://www.mindenhills.ca)

Note: Council meetings are reduced to one (1) for the months of July, August and December.

### QUEEN ELIZABETH II WILDLANDS PROVINCIAL PARK AREA PUBLIC INFORMATION AND DISCUSSION SESSION

The public is invited to an Information and Discussion Session regarding the Queen Elizabeth II Wildlands Provincial Park area, on March 13, 2019 at the S.G. Nesbitt Community Centre, Room #3 from 5:30 PM to 7:30 PM

### TIME TO CHANGE YOUR CLOCKS AND THE BATTERIES IN ALL SMOKE AND CARBON MONOXIDE ALARMS



Clocks will fall back one hour at 2am on Sunday, March 10 and the Minden Hills Fire Department is recommending residents install new batteries in their smoke and carbon monoxide alarms when they change their clocks.

Fire Chief, Mike Bekking wants to remind you that "In order for smoke and carbon monoxide alarms to do their job, they need to have working batteries." "Once a year, old batteries should be replaced with new batteries. When you change your clocks on Sunday, March 10, Minden Hills Fire Department wants everyone to take the time to install new batteries in all alarms."

In order to survive a fire, you need to be provided with an early warning and know what to do when the smoke alarms sound. Working smoke alarms are required on every story of the home and outside all sleeping areas. For added protection, it is recommended to also install smoke alarms inside all bedrooms.

Carbon monoxide alarms must be installed outside all sleeping areas if your home has a fuel-burning appliance, fireplace or attached garage.

Tampering with or removing the batteries from your smoke and carbon monoxide alarms is against the law. Failure to comply with the Fire Code can result in a ticket for \$360 or a fine of up to \$50,000.



### NOTICE – 2019 BUDGET DELIBERATIONS

The Council of the Corporation of the Township of Minden Hills will commence the 3rd Round of its 2019 Budget deliberations during its Committee of the Whole meeting scheduled for March 14, 2019.

The meeting will commence at 9:00 AM in the Council Chambers, located at 7 Milne Street, Minden ON.

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### AGNES JAMIESON GALLERY PROGRAMMING

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Jan 5 to Mar 23

AJG Collection I

Agnes Jamieson Gallery's collection of André Lapine (1866-1952) ARCA selection of work exhibits throughout the year. This selection is of local scenes and winter landscapes.

Apr 4 to May 25

Opening reception & panel discussion April 5 4:30 PM to 6 PM  
Peripheral Visions: Ontario Society of Artists Juried Exhibition (Eastern Ontario)

This exhibition alludes to creating beyond the centre. Away from big city, shared studio facilities, foundries and printshops are few and far between. At the periphery art making can take a different tenor. It perhaps favours a more individualistic, solitary focus. There is a balance between outward observation and inward reflection; one chooses to travel to the centre or stay back and create. The periphery brings the perspective of distance and from the vantage, the artist ascribes meaning to the world through the signs and symbols of their time. —Curator Todd Tremere

Mar 27 to Jul 6

AJG Collection II

Agnes Jamieson Gallery's collection of André Lapine (1866-1952) ARCA selection of work exhibits throughout the year. This selection is of paintings depicting horses and other exceptional pieces. Lapine was known as the best illustrator of horses in North America. Curator Talk: 'Lapine-ism' a culmination of many 'isms' comparing his work to Russian/European styles

July 4 at 7 PM at the AJG

Please note the March Break Cultural Camps are not being offered due to renovations at the centre.

### MARCH BREAK AT THE S.G. NESBITT MEMORIAL ARENA

There are options for the whole family to enjoy at the SG Nesbitt Arena this March break.

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PLEASE NOTE: Helmets are recommended for all skaters.

NEW! FAMILY SHINNY

Sunday mornings, 10:00am-12:00pm (until April 7th)  
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ADULT SHINNY

Tuesday mornings, 11:00am-12:00pm (until April 16th)  
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BROOMBALL

Monday evenings, 7:00pm-8:30pm (Feb. 4th to April 15th)  
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# Minden Hills looking into funding opportunities

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available with up to 30-year terms, with a fixed rate for the entirety of the term. Most rates are between approximately 3.2 and 3.6 per cent, depending on the type of loan and length of term. Infrastructure Ontario does not take security on any assets.

"We're not here to make a profit, we're not here to compete with anybody, but we are here as an option," Maitland said.

Devolin said there would be strong consideration of financing through IO.

"We are likely to put your program to use," he told Maitland.

Councillors also heard a report from community services director Mark Coleman regarding the Green Municipal Fund, funded by the Federation of Canadian Municipalities.

That program supports municipal capital

projects involving energy, transportation or waste and provides grants alongside loans.

When it comes to the arena project, examples of aspects that would be eligible for the program include items such as HVAC systems; building components such as insulation, walls, and windows; advanced automation and control systems; any on-site renewable energy generation and storage systems and so on.

Under the program, municipalities receive a grant worth 15 per cent of the loan alongside the loan itself, up to a maximum of \$5 million. The grant on a \$5-million loan would be \$750,000. Loans are for a maximum term of 20 years, with a fixed interest rate locked in for the entirety of the term. The current interest rate is 2.65 per cent.

The township will submit an initial review form to the program to see about eligibility.

## March Break fun at the library

### "Egg-xplosive" Family Storytime

When: Monday, March 11, 10:10 a.m.

Where: Minden library branch, HCPL.

Drop-in for fun stories, songs, rhymes, and other activities.

### "Magical Unicorn" Family Storytime

When: Wednesday, March 13, 10:10 a.m.

Where: Minden library branch, HCPL.

Drop-in for fun stories, songs, rhymes, and a craft.

### March Break Mini Makers

When: Monday, March 11 and Wednesday,

March 13, 1-3 p.m.

Where: Minden library branch, HCPL.

Tinker with us! Free drop-in. Geared toward ages 5+

Children under 10 must be accompanied by an adult.

### Afternoons with Ancestors

When: Tuesday March 26, 1-3 p.m.

Where: Minden library branch, HCPL.

Learn how to research your family history and bring your questions! Free drop-in led by H.H. Genealogy Group.

# County council seeking alternatives to road salt

by CHAD INGRAM  
Times Staff

Given the continuing cost increase of road salt, Haliburton County councillors wondered during a Feb. 27 meeting if there were any viable alternatives.

A report from public works director Craig Douglas recommended a renewal of a contract with K & S Windsor Salt Company for the provision of untreated road salt, "the idea being to lock in prices for next winter," Douglas told councillors.

As a report from Douglas indicated, in 2015 council approved the supply and delivery of salt from the company through a multi-agency tender request with the County of Peterborough and nine other agencies. The tender was for a three-year term, with the option for two additional years if service was satisfactory, making 2019/2020 the final year of five.

"Staff have been very pleased with the product of untreated road salt for the past four years and, along with the others in the multi-agency contract, wish to extend the contract for a further and final year," the report read.

The 2019 cost will be up 2.5 per cent from 2018, an increase from \$78.09 per tonne to \$80.04, meaning an overall increase of \$16,000 the county will pay for road salt. Road salt constitutes 85 per cent of the winter maintenance material line in the budget.

For 2019, there is \$750,000 budgeted for materials and supplies for snowplowing and removal, meaning approximately \$630,000 is allotted specifically for the purchase of salt.

"What I would like to add, is there is uncertainty in terms of salt [supply]," Douglas told councillors.

"On that note, if it's clear as we go forward that this [the price] may escalate that if we could get on with the next contract, sooner than later . . . it would be better to do that as soon as possible, if there's a fear of huge upswing in salt," said Minden Hills Mayor Brent Devolin.

"There's not a lot of salt suppliers out there, either," Douglas said.

Algonquin Highlands Mayor Carol Moffatt wondered at what point, given price escalation and the availability of salt, the county might start considering alternatives.

"For sure, we're caught between minimum maintenance standards and salt prices," Douglas said. "... There are no current, economically viable solutions in my mind."

Devolin said he asks the Minden Hills roads superintendent every year about alternatives to salt, says the answer is always discouraging and that even through the Ontario Good Roads Association, there don't seem to be any viable alternatives on the horizon.

The county will renew the contract for the upcoming year.

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# Reflections to open in former Village Chalet

by SUE TIFFIN  
Times Staff

Donna Young has been finding herself quite busy lately, and has to pull over to the side of the road to talk about what she has been up to that is keeping her running.

Almost 20 years after she began working at Village Chalet, Young and husband John Cowling, are now preparing to reopen the popular restaurant on Bobcaygeon Road, which closed abruptly in 2017.

Young unknowingly worked her last shift at “the Village,” on Christmas Eve two years ago. When the restaurant didn’t open again after the unexpected closure, it left a gap on Minden’s main street that Young and Cowling are looking to fill.

The couple are renting the space from Shannon Green and Andrew Roper.

“They told me that they came in to town to go to the Village to eat and found it closed, and they thought, well, this is an investment opportunity,” said Young. “It seemed to be a bit of an opportunity for them. We weren’t able to purchase after the former owners [closed]. Then when we saw the For Rent sign, we called them and just sort of started putting everything together.”

Young said in her time at the restaurant, she worked in the kitchen, in the office, and in the front, and sees potential in what it could be. “I did everything there,” she said. “So it made it quite simple for me to be able to walk in and be able to take over.”

Although Young and Cowling – who was an original owner of Village Donuts – know what to expect, there is much to be done before a planned April opening. The kitchen is being renovated, and filled with new equipment. Haliburton County Development Corporation is supporting the new business with a loan.

“They’re helping us to get it all up and running again,” said Young. “Without them I wouldn’t be able to do it. There are so many nights that I’m so tired by the time I go to bed, my husband’s tired by the time he goes to bed. A lot of rereading things, and phoning people and getting prices – it’s a lot of work.”

Though the work in reopening has been tiring, Young perks up when asked to speak about her vision for the restaurant, which will be called Reflections.

Reflections will promote a theme of “reflecting on the past,” with decorations in the main room showcasing historical photos of Minden, which Young is working with the Minden Hills Cultural Centre to acquire. The middle room of the restaurant will be filled with pictures of old celebrities – like what



Donna Young and John Cowling are working together to reopen the former Village Chalet restaurant space on Bobcaygeon Road, which has been left empty since an unexpected closure by former owners on Christmas Day in 2017. The building has been purchased by Shannon Green and Andrew Roper, and Young and Cowling are renting the space and managing the new restaurant which will be called Reflections. The restaurant will offer a menu featuring homemade items that include vegetarian and gluten-free options, and is expected to open this April.

/SUE TIFFIN Staff

Young said used to hang above the cash register of the old restaurant.

“I just liked them,” she said. “[And] I like the town. I kind of move around – every seven years I pack up and move somewhere else, Barrie, North Bay, Toronto. Minden, I’ve been here for 19 years, so I might as well put up something that I like, and give people something to look at. Everyone loves those pictures. I love history, so why not put it all up on the walls for people to look at and give them something to talk about?”

Collecting the photos that will interest diners has been a fun project for Young.

“I’m actually learning a lot,” she said. “I was looking for a picture of the Hollywood sign and found out it was [first] called Hollywoodland ... it was based on a housing complex, but the Hollywood sign stayed up. I love history. I didn’t love it so much in

“I’m finding out more and more as I talk to people how glad they are to see it reopening,” she said. “An insane amount of comments, everywhere I go. Haliburton, Minden, everywhere. They can’t wait for it to open, they know it’s going to be successful, they’re going to support it, they’re missing the environment, missing not being rushed out – because most places, they need the tables, but we have plenty of tables so we don’t have to rush people out. They can take their time and socialize.”

Young welcomes the comments, and also input on the menu, which she hopes will combine old favourites and comfort food, and include vegetarian and gluten-free options. “I know what’s going to go on a basic menu, and I know what people like to order, but I wanted to hear what they actually wanted,” she said. “I want to have what people want, not just what I want ... We’re going to keep it the small basic dinner menu. Your homemade sandwiches, your homemade soups, your homemade food.”

Numerous former and future diners have offered menu suggestions, which Young is carefully considering.

“It’s my place, it’s the owner’s [building], but it’s also the place for people in town to come,” she said. “What do you want to eat? This is what you like, this is your favourite, this is your go-to. You have to be accommodating or else your business is going somewhere else. Everybody has been very positive about it, even people from the other end of Canada were giving me suggestions.”

Young is excited to welcome people back to the restaurant, and help bring people to the downtown area.

“Everybody’s welcome,” she said. “We’re still going to feel it out and see what happens and make changes as needed, and their feedback is welcome.”

With that, she’s back on the road, checking off items on her to-do list to prepare for a grand opening.

school, but I love it now. I’m learning a lot of things as we do this.”

Since posting on social media that she and Cowling will be opening the restaurant again, Young said she has been bombarded with support.



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## Separate roles

**I**F YOU THINK you're sick of hearing about the SNC-Lavalin matter now, then buckle up, or maybe don't pay attention to the news until the fall's federal election, or maybe leave the country for a bit.

With Monday's resignation of cabinet minister Jane Philpott, which followed the resignation from cabinet by former attorney general and justice minister Jody Wilson-Raybould, there is some blood in the water, which means that the Opposition will try to stir up a frenzy that Conservative leader Andrew Scheer can ride into the election.

He'll continue to make calls for the resignation of Prime Minister Justin Trudeau, calls Trudeau will ignore, as whatever kind of inquiry there is going to be into allegations of political interference by the PM unfolds.

It's a familiar chorus, as the great pendulum of federal politics in Canada swings back and forth between red and blue.

A Conservative leader chastising the alleged unethical behaviour of a Liberal prime minister.

Trudeau coasted into power in 2015 after Canadians became sick of the government of Stephen Harper, who many had come to see as a serial abuser of power and whose government was found in contempt of Parliament.

Nearly a decade before, Harper rose to the office of PM on the current of the sponsorship scandal that had engulfed the previous Liberal government.

So on and so forth. That is

politics in this country and the political theatre around the SNC-Lavalin affair will play out as it will.

The whole situation has underscored a flaw in our system, one that doesn't receive as much attention as alleged bad behaviour by a prime minister. In Canada, the jobs of attorney general and justice minister – which are two, separate roles – are vested in one person.

The attorney general is a politically neutral position,

beholden only to the rule of law.

Cabinet ministers, on the other hand, are, it is generally understood, beholden to the government, and to their boss, the prime minister.

So when the country's attorney general is acting in the

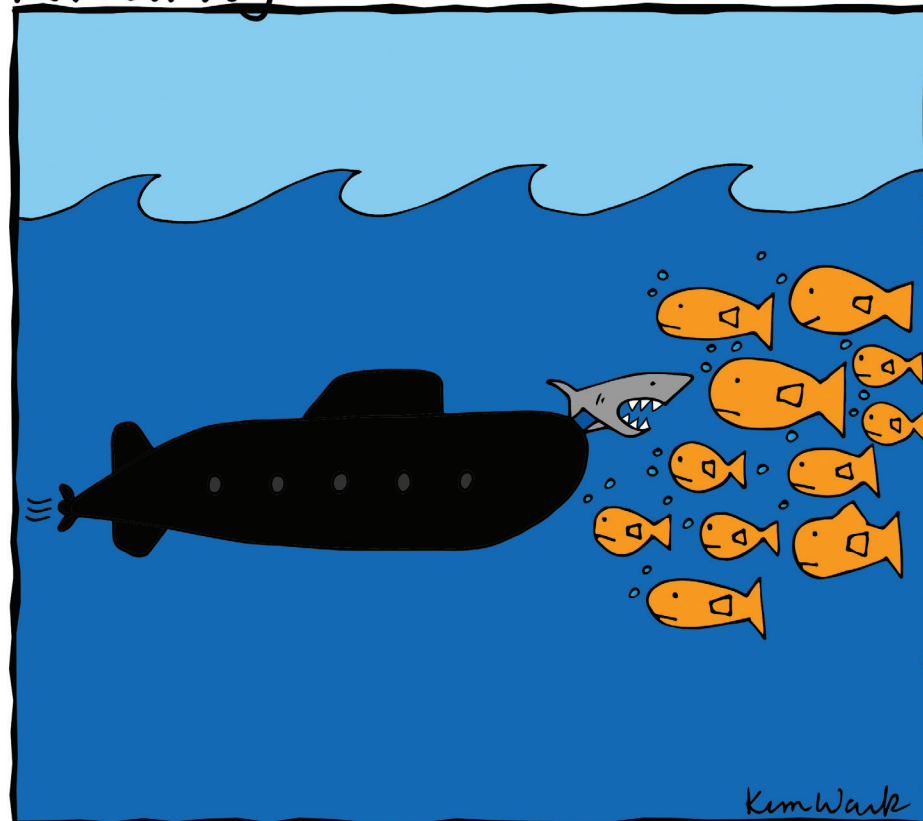
capacity of attorney general, it is completely inappropriate for the prime minister to try to influence the behaviour of that person (which is the allegation against Trudeau). However, when that person is acting in the capacity of justice minister, it is completely appropriate for that person to take direction from the PM.

It's a problematic situation that is rife for conflict, the kind of conflict we are now seeing play out and will see play out for weeks and probably months to come.

And there's a simple solution to avoiding this situation in the future. Split the roles and assign them to separate human beings. It's done in other countries, and it makes irrefutable sense, regardless of one's political or partisan leanings.

**CHAD INGRAM**  
Reporter

## Kwarky



"Sir, our hood ornament is compromising our stealth."

## The stench of guilt

**S**OME COLUMNS are not easy to write. This, I'm sad to say, is one of them.

You see I am wracked with guilt because I held something back that might cause immeasurable damage to a relationship I hold dear. The worst part is, as much as I tried to hide it, it is probably no secret. No matter how I try, the scent still lingers on my clothes. And, frankly, it's like the Eagles said, I can't hide my lying eyes.

I cannot live with myself any more, for I have broken a sacred trust. That's why I will apologize with the following letter.

Dear Fly Fishing Club,  
Sometimes mere words cannot express the regret a fly tyer feels. Yet, I hope that you can find it in your collective hearts to forgive me for not letting you know about the road killed skunk I discovered on the weekend.

There, I said it. Maybe now the healing can begin.

I know I should have emailed all of you so that we could have all shared in this good fortune. I also recognize that there was more than enough to go around. After all, when it comes to skunk, a little goes a long way.

So you must be wondering why I did not share my bounty with you.

The honest answer is I was weak. I kept thinking about that famous saying, "Exclusiveness is the characteristic of recent riches, high society and the skunk." And – I won't lie – I thought one out of three isn't so bad.

I can only hope that while considering forgiveness, you can put yourself in my shoes – which are now on the back deck until further notice.

In my defence, imagine how you might

have dealt with the temptation of being the first on the scene after a skunk had been hit? I can't describe the emotion, suffice it to say it brought tears to my eyes.

Also, something deep inside me kept imagining the look on Jenn's face when I walked in the door with that prime winter pelt and promises of a fashionable new hat. I wanted to show her how the other half lives.

Apparently, that is outside.

The fact that the price of skunk hair has skyrocketed to near \$5 a patch also played a large part in this. But it was not solely for profit that I kept this treasure trove to myself. No, this was also the culmination of a lifelong ambition.

You see, like most of you, I have dreamed of becoming the Skunk Hair King and also of using genuine skunk hair to recreate Art Flick's original black-nosed dace streamer – the one he used to tie before his wife threatened divorce.

The point is I was overcome with something akin to gold fever. I think any fly tyer would understand. It was skunk hair, for goodness sake.

In closing, let me just say that I have now done the right thing – and not just because I wanted to sleep in the house again. I took the skunk back to its original resting place so that others in the club could benefit from it too.

I can provide detailed directions, but I think if you just drive toward the dump with your car windows open they will not be necessary.

Solemnly,  
Steve

PS: If our local stores are out of tomato juice, drop by. I have a few cans left. I'll even bring it to your car.

**STEVE GALEA**  
Beyond 35



# IN OTHER WORDS

Columns and Letters to the Editor

## Who will WE always be?

IT SEEMS LUDICROUS that any political moment these days could make you proud to be a Canadian. But there was one last week when pride swelled in my chest.

It came watching Jody Wilson-Raybould, Vancouver Liberal member of Parliament, testify before the House of Commons justice committee about her role in the SNC-Lavalin affair. Wilson-Raybould is the former justice minister and attorney-general demoted to veterans affairs minister, a portfolio she resigned soon after.

She appeared before the committee the same day that Michael Cohen, former Trump fixer, appeared before Congress in Washington to call President Trump a con man, a cheat and a racist.

It was yet another bitter, snowy winter day, so I flopped in front of the television and flipped between the Canadian and U.S. hearings. It was educational to see the sharp differences.

The Congressional hearing presumably was held to sweat Cohen for information that might help determine whether President Trump did or did not collude with Russia and obstruct justice. In fact, it was just another political cockfight staged to win fans, also known as voters.

There were few serious attempts to dig out real facts – certainly none by bullying Republican supporters of the president. It was a political circus of pathetic clowns and barking seals.

Some media reports compared it to the television drama *The Sopranos*. More frightening, it prompted a flashback to historical reports about the collapse of Congress during the lead up to the U.S. Civil War.

Over in Ottawa, Wilson-Raybould testified there was consistent and sustained pressure from the prime minister and others to have her shelve prosecution of SNC-Lavalin, the Quebec engineering firm facing corruption charges.

The prime minister worried that following through with prosecution would hurt the company and lead to job losses, which would be bad for the economy. The prime minister's office wanted a Deferred Prosecution Agreement (DPA) in which the company would not be prosecuted if it agreed to remediation measures, fines or other undertakings.

The Ottawa hearing was more civil and respectful than the Washington spectacle, however not without moments tainted by political duplicity. There was some pride in seeing that we have not slid as far into the political sewer as the Americans. Not yet.

But the real pride came in watching Wilson-Raybould. She gave us all a clear reminder of the importance of standing up for what you believe, no matter who tells you otherwise. And, no matter what it costs you personally.

She reminded me of my mother, despite the fact that she is the same age as two of our daughters.

Our mothers teach us who we are and what we should stand for. They teach us to conduct ourselves with conviction and dignity. They teach us to consider carefully what we say because words that fly past our lips cannot be taken back.

The SNC-Lavalin affair has developed into a very dirty and nasty fight, and it is not over yet.

Pressure tactics by Justin Trudeau and his people to get Wilson-Raybould to give SNC-Lavalin a pass on criminal charges were not illegal. Wilson-Raybould has said that herself. That does not mean that they were ethically acceptable or the right thing to do.

Trudeau says they were appropriate tactics. Wilson-Raybould says they were not.

This is a fight the honourable lady cannot win. Power and politics, jobs and money, trump honour and higher principles.

One would have thought that rational and intelligent people could have found a way early on to prevent this affair from morphing into the mess it is. That is too much to expect in the politics of today.

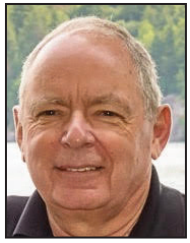
The best solution now is for Wilson-Raybould to walk. Quit the Liberal party, quit Parliament and accept that there is not room for higher-minded people in the politics of today.

She is an intelligent, principled person with strong core values. What she has to offer is wasted on political life but of great value to other parts of Canadian life.

Her most important words to Parliament are contained in the final paragraph of her closing remarks to the justice committee:

"This is who I am and who I will always be."

Canadians need to think hard about who we are and who we will always want to be.



**JIM POLING SR.**

*From Shaman's Rock*

## letters to the editor

## Retraining our palate

SO MANY PEOPLE that I meet want to improve their eating habits. They are keen to make healthier choices. Often the cause of their failed attempts is blamed on willpower. Sadly, it's a bigger hill to climb. When sugar, fat and/or salt are combined in foods they create a chemical reaction in our brain that leaves us wanting more. It's an addiction that is equal to consuming drugs like heroin. To our brain there is no difference. Eating these types of foods feels good so more is craved and consumed. The cycle goes on and on until we decide to make a change.

I believe awareness is the first step to improving eating habits. Review everything that you're eating. Question whether you're feeling a craving or if you really need energy that the food provides. If in fact you are addicted to certain foods that are really not contributing to your wellbeing it's possible to reset your palate. It starts with cutting out the foods that your taste buds have grown accustomed to. Plan on a month of eating differently. Make choices that feed your body instead of your addiction.

If going cold turkey scares you, cutting back a little at a time works too. It takes longer, but it works. Here are some ideas to help you make the change:

- Read the food labels and purchase products with the least amount of sugar, fat and/or salt.

- Avoid processed foods.
- Stop adding salt to food after it's cooked.

- Choose "No Added Salt" options when purchasing canned goods, stewed tomatoes or canned beans – or go for the frozen version.

- Use herbs and spices to flavour food instead of salt.

- Cut back on the cream and sugar you put in your coffee.

- Switch to using milk in coffee instead of cream.

I'm not going to lie, making these types of changes will

initially make the food you're eating taste lousy, boring and bland. At first your palate won't be used to it. Once your palate adjusts you'll find eating a whole new experience. I can pretty much guarantee that if you make the change you will find that food doesn't really taste like food when it's full of all that extra stuff that we don't need.

Something to think about.

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**LAURIE SWEIG**

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## MPP should defend basic income pilot

**An Open Letter to Laurie Scott, MPP for Haliburton-Kawartha Lakes-Brock,**

At the end of March, the Basic Income Pilot Project is to be eliminated. For the community of Lindsay, where 2,000 of the participants live, this will be a serious loss.

The Basic Income Pilot Project is a three-year research project to determine if a guaranteed annual income will encourage greater workplace participation and better health, housing, and education outcomes. On completion of the pilot, if the research indicates positive outcomes, then the results could be used to help develop provincial policies to help lift people out of poverty, investing in communities and taking pressure off the health-care system.

If the project is cancelled as planned, the consequences are immediate for those who have signed up for the project and may have committed to an educational path, day care or accommodation which will now not be affordable. Those who have been able to purchase better quality food will again be forced to go to food banks and the stress of insufficient income could negatively impact health and mental well-being. For children of the "Pilot Project" families, it may mean fewer opportunities, lower grades and perhaps the trap of generational poverty. The loss of the Basic Income Pilot Project means we lose important data that, as a society, would help us create programs to help all citizens of Ontario live in dignity and contribute to their communities in a positive way.

At the initiation of the project, Minister Scott, the *Lindsay Advocate* reported your enthusiastic support for the decision to choose Lindsay as a test community. However, after the announcement by Lisa MacLeod, Minister of Children, Community and Social Services, that the pilot

would be cancelled, you have withdrawn support even though the potential benefits for your riding are significant.

Minister McLeod's assertion that the pilot was failing was unfounded as sufficient data had not yet been collected. At a gathering in Lindsay following her announcement, there was enthusiastic support for the project by local politicians, health care providers, police and business people who had experienced improvements in their interactions with the participants. The participants themselves spoke of the importance of having an opportunity to go to school, to buy their own food, to rent decent accommodation or to work without being penalized.

Minister McLeod also stated that the program was not "sustainable." It is a pilot project with a finite duration of three years. It is not a program, but a test. To look at the cost of the pilot is valid. The cost per year is \$50 million, but by cancelling the project, your short-sighted government will have wasted \$100 million without achieving any of the goals of the pilot.

Hugh Segal, a respected and former Progressive Conservative Senator, who prepared the basic income pilot discussion paper, stated that: "Looking at the cost of the pilot project is fair enough – but frankly, simplistic. We know that poverty is a perfect predictor of poor health and early hospitalization, bad educational outcomes, substance abuse and problems with the police – all of which cost Ontario billions."

When evaluating the long-term cost of a policy that introduces a basic income, one must also look at the savings made in other areas, as well as societal improvements.

Premier Ford stated the "The best way to help people out of poverty is something called a job."

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# Construction contract awarded for dams

Following a competitive procurement process, the construction contract to complete the Horseshoe Lake Dam and replace the Twelve Mile Lake Dam has now been awarded to Eiffage Innovative Canada Inc. These dams are located near Minden and are part of the Gull River watershed.

Over the winter months, the projects were re-tendered together as a package with the goal of achieving efficiencies in completing the work. Work will begin after the spring melt, and after the fish spawning window is completed at each site; in-water work may begin at Twelve Mile Lake Dam in May 2019, and at Horseshoe Lake Dam at the end of July 2019. More information regarding the schedule of work will be released as it becomes available.

## Twelve Mile Lake Dam

Parks Canada will replace the Twelve Mile Lake Dam with one that improves both public safety and operator efficiency. The replacement will include shifting the spillways eastward to enhance the dam's capacity to pass water, as well as improvements to its abutments and surrounding embankments. New guardrails, safety booms and increased signage will enhance public safety. Additionally, as part of the project, the pedestrian bridge upstream of the dam will be removed as it is in an advanced state of disrepair.

A previous contract to replace the Twelve Mile Lake Dam was terminated due to challenges in the staging process. Those challenges have now been addressed and adjusted in the current scope of work.

## Horseshoe Lake Dam

As a part of a previous contract, work toward the replacement of the Horseshoe Lake Dam has already been completed. This included two new piers and one full sluice with a concrete deck (pictured), a visitor area with improved pedestrian access, and an employee parking area. Work will now continue on the completion of the remaining three sluices. Permanent railings and signage will also be installed for operator and public safety.

The previous phase of construction at the Horseshoe Lake Dam experienced continued challenges in maintaining a dry construction site. That combined with above average water



Parks Canada engineers and dam operators on-site to inspect stoplogs being lowered into a brand new sluice at Horseshoe Lake Dam. (February 2018). Photo submitted

flows and levels throughout the winter and summer of 2017 contributed to delays in the project. In the interest of public safety and flood mitigation, and with water management and the spring melt requirements at the fore, Parks Canada made the decision to re-phase the construction work, close the construction contract, and re-tender the remainder of the project.

## Water Management

The Horseshoe Lake Dam and the Twelve Mile Lake Dam

are adjacent within the watershed and dependent on one another. Work will be sequenced so that water can be managed appropriately through dam sluices or temporary bypass structures, and water levels on upstream and downstream watercourses will not be impacted by construction. The overall water management strategy will not change during construction.

*Submitted by Parks Canada*

# Lions Club's seniors dinner draws dozens in Dorset

On Feb. 27 the Dorset Lions hosted their seniors dinner at the Dorset Recreation Centre with about 80 people in attendance. The dinner was free but you could make a donation if

you wished. Tom Krawczyk, president of the Dorset Lions, welcomed everyone, happy birthday was sung to Diane Griffin and Joanne Krawczyk said grace. Dinner was roast

beef and gravy, mashed potatoes, mixed vegetables, about eight salads, pickles and horseradish. For dessert there was carrot, chocolate or vanilla cake. Tea, coffee, water and pop were available for refreshments. To stay up to date on events like this and others, follow the Dorset Lions on Facebook.

It may not seem like spring is ever going to arrive but eventually it will, as it does every year. While there's still lots of ice out on the lake we need to remember that no ice is safe ice, and we need to start being careful especially around shorelines where ice breaks up first. If you have a permanent ice hut it has to be off by March 31 or ice break up, whichever comes first.

Hand drumming takes place Wednesday mornings with Gillian Thomas from 11 a.m. to 12 p.m. at the Dorset Recreation Centre. No experience required and instruments are provided. Please contact Gillian for more information at gilliant07@gmail.com or 705-571-2539. \$10/adults, \$5/children (age 10+). Fee to instructor (cash/cheque).

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Happy birthday to Annette Schumacher. For birthdays and submissions please send them to burgesslt@me.com.

*- Lee Ross, Dorset News*



Eighty people attended the Dorset Lions Club's seniors dinner at the Dorset Recreation Centre on Feb. 27.

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## Cancellation means no data

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However, he fails to understand that 70 per cent of those people in poverty have jobs. Unfortunately, the work is often precarious and many are working several jobs to try to make ends meet. Many of the remaining participants are disabled and therefore limited in their ability to find employment.

Should the pilot project be successful, the benefits to the whole community can be enormous and, if the results were used to help create province-wide policy, everyone could benefit. Poverty-related illness would decrease, resulting in less stress on our medical system and hospitals. Health-related absenteeism could drop, increasing productivity. Local businesses would see the increase in consumer spending as more people could afford to buy their products. Improved educational outcomes for individuals living in poverty represent an opportunity for the economy to increase the number of skilled employees. The basic income is not a fix-all but, hopefully, could be a good first step.

Ethical standards, such as those mandating respect for human dignity in all federally-funded social science research involving human subjects, must be followed. There is no reason why provincial research should not do the same. The 4,000 vulnerable research subjects in this study have signed on in good faith hoping to make decisions to improve their lives but instead have been subjected to the immediate stress and loss of long-term opportunities by having had their income stream cut off prematurely. The Progressive Conservative Party of Ontario made a commitment during the election to allow the pilot to be completed but has broken that promise.

So, Minister Scott, please represent the interests of your constituents and defend the Basic Income Pilot. Advocate for your community, be "For the People," and convince the government to continue with this important research.

Elizabeth Turner



### Sing it loud

Treasa Levasseur sings, with the crowd joining in, at the March 2 concert held during the Winter Folk Camp at Camp Wanakita last weekend./ SUE TIFFIN Staff

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# County monitors online tourism conversations

by CHAD INGRAM  
Times Staff

Haliburton County councillors reviewed a report dissecting more than 2.5 million on-line and social media conversations pertaining to tourism in the Haliburton Highlands during a Feb. 27 meeting.

The report, which included what is referred to as a tourism sentiment index, included the monitoring of 2.5 million conversations – social media posts, largely – from 500,000 different sources around the world between July 1, 2017 and June 30, 2018.

Conducted by agency Destination Think!, it uses a series of metrics to interpret how people are enjoying their experiences in the Haliburton Highlands.

“From here, I’ll be working with stakeholders and also our own marketing plan to look at further opportunities to further engage with consumers and up our social media chattering game,” tourism director Amanda Virtanen told councillors as she presented them with findings during the meeting.

In terms of overall performance, 45 per cent of conversations have been identified as destination promoters, “so people who came to the region and were really happy with their experiences,” Virtanen said.

This was just shy of the 48 per cent median

for conversations identified as destination promoters among a group of five comparative destinations in the region.

The Haliburton Highlands ranked high in paddle sports, skiing and snowboarding, wildlife viewing and camping.

“So of those online conversations, these are some areas people are having really great experiences around,” Virtanen told councillors.

Overall for outdoor adventure, “the sentiment is a bit low around that, so it does tell me they could be having better experiences,” she said.

Outdoor adventure, culinary arts and art and culture are the three pillars of the county’s marketing strategy.

On food and culinary experience, the Highlands scored in line with its comparative regions.

“We’re actually doing quite well in that area,” Virtanen said.

“And then, in terms of under-performing assets, there are two things that may be a bit surprising, hiking and nightlife . . . nightlife maybe not so surprising,” the tourism director said.

On hiking, “I asked a specific question about this, because we have the Hike Haliburton Festival,” Virtanen told councillors.

The popular county-run hiking festival consists of a series of guided hikes that take place throughout the Haliburton Highlands during a weekend each fall.

“And so they said that conversation around that particular weekend and that one experience is very good,” Virtanen said, explaining the goal was to work on creating more year-round buzz around hiking. The tourism department is creating a hiking section for the county’s tourism website based on the results.

Dysart Deputy Mayor Pat Kennedy said he thought the promotion of hiking could also be paired with assets such the Algonquin Highlands Water Trails.

“That’s all part of the same type of activity,” Kennedy said. “I think that hiking maybe is too limited.”

“Definitely,” Virtanen said, explaining that the department is working on bringing assets like the water trails and the wild water preserve under that umbrella.

“We often think we’re doing one thing, but feedback often tells us that maybe we’re not on target there,” said Algonquin Highlands Mayor Carol Moffatt. “I wonder about, in order to drive the conversation and change these numbers, any thoughts on sort of a . . . promoter package?”

Moffatt said that when social media cam-

paigns first debut, for example, there is often excitement with people jumping on board, but how that excitement can dwindle over time, as people stop using certain hashtags, etc.

“The sentiment score is really about . . . them looking at experiences that they’re offering and enhancing those,” Virtanen said.

“This is monitoring the online conversations of our visitors, which we can’t really control that much,” she added.

Moffatt wondered how the county was to get stakeholders, especially those who may not be directly involved in the county’s tourism stakeholder group, involved in the conversation.

“I think the biggest thing that they can do is start co-promoting each other and co-promoting other experiences,” Virtanen said.

“The more conversations that are happening about what’s already happening in our area will help consumers talk more about what’s going on in our region.”

Also, while the feedback to dogsledding, snowmobiling and ATVing experiences in the county were very positive, those conversations are not happening in great volumes.

“The folks who are on their ATVs or their snowmobiles are keeping it to themselves for the most part,” Virtanen said. “So we need them to say more.”

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*Answers on page 14*

## Nominees announced for Chamber of Commerce awards

The Haliburton Highlands Chamber of Commerce announced this year’s nominees for the Business and Community Achievement Awards on March 1. They received 127 nominations from across Haliburton County. Winners will be revealed at the annual awards gala on March 30 at Pinestone Resort.

**The nominees:**

**Business Achievement**  
Above Board Carpentry, Bark Lake Leadership & Conference Centre, Haliburton Solar & Wind, Bank of Montreal – Haliburton, IJES Camera Support Systems, Yummy Mummy Emporium and Apothecary

**Customer First – Business**  
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**Customer First – Employee**  
Angelika Walter – Aprons & Soaps, Donna McCallum – Abbey Retreat Centre, Kasara McKay – Boshkung Brewing Company, Morgan Fisher – Minden Animal Hospital, Renee Griffith – Bonnieview Inn, Shani Hurd – Cordell Carpet, Shay Hutchings – Haliburton County Chiropractic & Rehabilitation, Shontel Neville – Heat-Line Freeze Protection Systems, Tammy Warburton – Highland Glass & Windows, Tracey Morrison – Kosy Korner, Trista Greer – Shopper’s Drug Mart

**Entrepreneur of the Year**  
Graham Borgdorff – Above Board

Carpentry, Morgan Burke – The Birds and the Bees, Brandi Hewson – WAI Products, Brian Nash – Haliburton Solar & Wind, Steve Stewart – Minden Electric, Generator Solutions, Paul Roy – Upriver Trading Company, Amanda Vollmer – Yummy Mummy Emporium and Apothecary

**Highlander of the Year**  
Brad Park, David Zilstra, Rick Lowes, Steve Todd

**Innovation & Creativity**  
Abbey Gardens, The Birds and the Bees, Cottage Care Rentals, Haliburton Solar & Wind

**New Business**  
Haliburton County Chiropractic and Rehabilitation, HaliHammock, Hunters Edge, Mega Munch, Russell Red Records, TheOccurrence

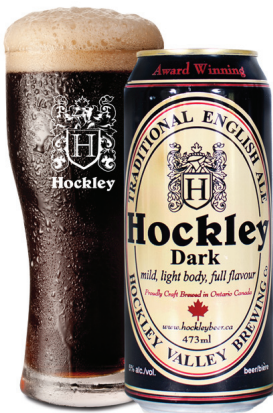
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**Skilled Trades & Industry**  
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The Duketow family, from Lakefield, makes up Rhythm and Grace, which is performing at the Galway Hall in Kinmount on Sunday, March 17. Step-dancing is featured in their concerts as well as well-known songs and other tunes from their album. The event is for all ages and admission is a free-will offering. /Photo courtesy of Rhythm and Grace



# Family band Rhythm and Grace to perform at the Galway Hall

Rhythm and Grace will be performing a St. Patrick's Day Concert at the Galway Hall, 579 Galway Road, Kinmount. St. Patrick's Day Festivities begin with a potluck supper at 5 p.m. on Sunday, March 17 followed with the concert at 6 p.m. Rhythm and Grace is the Duketow family from Lakefield. Miriam, Alex and their nine children have given concerts in every province of Canada.

Their music is a blend of folk, Celtic, and gospel using instruments including fiddles, guitar, piano, accordion, and the Irish Whistle. Original folk and gospel songs and energetic step-dancing are also featured in their concerts. Their set-list includes well-known tunes as well as songs from their CDs. The events are for all ages promising to get your hands

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## MINOR HOCKEY

Reports from Highland Storm teams

### Midget girls

On Saturday, Feb. 23, the Bancroft IDA/ Park View Dental Midget Girls Jets team travelled to Lakefield to play the Ennismore Eagles. The Eagles took the lead early in the first. The Jets, determined to win, evened the score shortly after. Gabbey Burnett put pressure on the Eagles' goalie with several quick shots on net, resulting in a scramble in front. Olivia Martin was able to find the puck and jammed it in on a rebound. No goals were scored in the second. Just when it seemed that the game was going to end in a tie with .5 seconds left on the clock, Haley Goulet chased down the puck, won a battle behind the net, walked it out and passed it to defensive teammate Ryan Rupnow who was waiting in front of the net. Rupnow with a quick wrist shot, got the winning goal of the game. Final result Jets 2, Eagles 1.

On Saturday, March 2, the team travelled to Keene to face the Otonabee Wolverines. The end result was a tie 1-1.

Beth Brownlee skated the puck in behind the opponent's net and tried to tap it in. Jaylin Frost finished it off by tapping the puck in off of one of Brownlee's attempts.

Sunday, March 3, the Jets hosted the West Northumberland Wild on home ice.

Despite all of their hard fought efforts and exchanges from end to end throughout the game, the Jets lost the game 2-1 late in the third period. Olivia Martin scored the lone goal for the Jets and went five hole, with a pass from the corner and out in front from Goulet.

Chloe Burnett has been outstanding and solid as goalie during all games for the Jets.

The Jets have two playdown games re-



Highland Storm players control the puck at a game being held as part of the MPS end-of-year tournaments at A.J. LaRue arena in Haliburton on March 2. The Highland Storm hosted the Novice age group in Haliburton on Saturday with both Haliburton Novice local league teams playing in the tournament. /SUE TIFFIN Staff

maining. The team will travel to Brighton this Saturday evening to face the Cold Creek Comets and will host the Lindsey Lynx on home ice at the NHCC for their final game at 4:30 p.m. Come out and cheer the team on.

### Peewee A

On Friday, March 1, the JoAnne Sharpley's Source for Sports/Haliburton Family Medical Centre Highland Storm Peewee A team travelled to Frontenac to face the Frontenac Flyers in Game 1 of the semi-finals. It was

a close game, however the Storm lost 11-3. Goals were scored by Beckham Reynolds and Addison St Cyr.

On Saturday, March 2, they faced the Frontenac Flyers in Game 2. It was a close game up until the third period. The Storm lost 7-2. Goals were scored by Austin Boylan and Addison St Cyr.

On Sunday, March 3, the Storm hosted the Flyers in Game 3. The first period started with a goal by Austin Boylan, followed by a goal by the Flyers. With two minutes left Mak Prentice scored, followed by another

goal by the Flyers. It was a 2-2 game going into the second. The second period was a goal by Addison St Cyr. And it was 3-2 going into the third. The third was all Frontenac. They scored four goals and the final was 6-3. The JoAnne Sharpley's Source for Sports/Haliburton Family Medical Centre Highland Storm Peewee A season has come to an end. They fought very hard and played their very best.

By Amber Card

### Midget LL

The playoffs took place last weekend for the the Highland Storm Pharmasave LL Midget team. Hard work this season awarded the team an invitation to the A division group. First up was South Muskoka Bears. Muskoka got on the scoreboard midway through the opening period after some sustained pressure in the Storm zone. Brenden Newhook tied the game working together with Sam Hoenow on a nice passing play. Nate Miscio was rock solid in the period making some exceptional saves. Muskoka regained the lead on a backhand shot in close to Miscio and quickly made it 3-1. Jake Sisson scored on a laser bar down wrist shot from the blue line taking advantage of a two-man power play. The Storm had another opportunity late in the third being given another power play but were unable to score, falling 3-2 in a tight match to the Bears.

The Storm's second game was against rival Huntsville Otters. The Otters scored 30 seconds into the game and continued to keep the Storm pinned in their own end for the first four minutes. The Storm settled down after

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Cost: \$6 Menu: eggs or pancakes, bacon or sausage, hash browns, toast, orange juice, tea/coffee

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When: March 12, 7:30 p.m.  
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Where: Haliburton Highlands Museum, 66 Museum Rd., Haliburton  
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that and almost tied the game on a Jake Sisson wrap-around.

The Storm found themselves once again pinned into their own zone at the start of the second period and only stellar goaltending by Miscio kept the locals down by one. The Otters persisted though and were rewarded with two quick goals to jump ahead by three. Huntsville got their fourth late in the third on a sharp angle shot to seal the fate of the Highland Storm. Final score: 5-0 Huntsville in a very impressive game by the Otters. Game 3 Sunday morning was against the Kia South Muskoka Bears. The Storm had an early power play which almost resulted in Lexi Tait's first goal of the season. The Bears did end up scoring first after some spectacular saves by Miscio. The Bears went up by a couple in the second period on a short-handed goal. The Storm made it interesting in the third on a lovely passing play between Hoenow and Newhook who set up Colin Crowe in front of the net. The Storm did get a few more chances but couldn't find the back of the net and lost 2-1.

By Gord Hoenow

**Peewee LL**

Our LL Peewee Home Hardware team travelled to Parry Sound to end a great year!

First game was against the Muskoka Bears. The Storm's Alex Hendry #9 started the scoring assisted by #10 Emery Bagshaw and #15 Weston Bowker. The Bears retaliated with two goals. Nathan Harrison (#12) ended the first period with a goal assisted by #19 Wyatt Raposo and #11 Mikayla Sisson. Again Storm started the scoring in the second with #15 finding the net assisted by #9 and #21 Spencer Bowker. The Bears scored two more taking the lead going into the third. The Storm played a strong last period with #12 scoring assisted again by #19 and #11. The game ended 4-4 and player of the game was #15 Weston Bowker!

The second game was Storm on Storm! These two teams battled hard and the first period ended with neither team scoring. The Canadian Tire team scored three goals in the second. In the third, the Home Hardware team responded with #17 Daniel Stephen scoring two unassisted goals. Player of the game was awarded to #21 Spencer Bowker!

By Marita Bagshaw

**Novice**

The Haliburton TimberMart/Haliburton Hockey Haven Sports Camp Novice Reps played their first two semi-final games against the Sturgeon Lake Thunder on the weekend.

Saturday, the teams battled it out in Minden in an intense, high-paced match. The Thunder allowed few shooting oppor-

tunities for the Storm, but stole two goals resulting in a 2-0 loss for the Storm. Goalie Carter Braun played an incredible game. On Sunday, the Novices travelled to Fenelon Falls. Again, the teams both demonstrated ferocity and the desire to win with speed and aggressive checking. The Thunder took two goals in the second period before Luke Gruppe placed one in for the Storm, assisted by Evan Perrott, and Easton Burk. The Thunder took two more goals in the third. Although the Storm lost the game, 4-1, the entire team played extraordinarily well and should be proud of their effort.

To see the Novices in action against the Sturgeon Lake Thunder, come cheer on the Storm this Thursday at 6 p.m. in Haliburton.

By Sara Gruppe

**Midget**

The Highland Storm Midgets are up 2-0 in the semi-final series against the Bancroft Jets. It began Saturday, March 2 in Bancroft and the Storm battled for the 5-4 win.

It was a slow start for the Storm team, allowing the Jets to get on the scoreboard. Minutes later, Dollo fed Gilbert and he pushed hard with enormous drive and top cornered the tying goal. Shortly after, the Storm capitalized on a power play. Give and go action led to Walker's stick and he patiently waited to find the opening and made it a 2-1 game. The momentum picked up in the second period, however it was the Jets that got a lucky break and tied it up. The Storm exploded into action and answered back with two goals. Haedicke rush in and fought for puck control behind the net. He snapped a pass to Smith waiting in front to capture the goal. Seconds later, Haedicke stole the puck for a breakaway and backhanded past the goalie, making it a 4-2 game.

End to end action continued, late in the second, the Jets narrowed it to 4-3, ending the second period. The third period was intense, both teams worked tremendously hard. Late in the period, the Jets pulled their goalie and Haedicke scored the empty-netter, making it 5-3. The Jets managed to keep the pressure on and closed the gap to 5-4 with just seconds left in the game.

The next day, the head to head action was played in Haliburton and the Storm Midgets came from behind to win 5-4. The Storm team warmed up in the first period, letting the Jets take the lead. Late in the first, Smith headed into the Jets' end and snapped in the first goal, unassisted. The second period was tough for the Storm team as the Jets dominated and fired in two quick goals, a 3-1 game. Later, the Storm took advantage of a power play, Gilbert scored, with help from Walker and Clements, ending the period 3-2 for the Jets. The Jets made it 4-2 early in the third, during a three-on-five power play. It was then the Storm who turned up the heat, with determination and drive. The Storm fought hard for puck control. Gilbert was in the right place to snap in a pass from Smith and made it a 4-3 game, halfway through the third period. A few minutes later, the Storm continued to pressure the Jets. Give and go action led to Smith tying things up, helped by MacNaull and Walker. The Storm still in gear, Walker tipped a pass to Haedicke, he pushed for the breakaway and expertly top cornered the go-ahead goal. It was intense action the last couple of minutes while the Storm killed off a penalty to captured the 5-4 win.

By Suzanne Haedicke

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## Atom 2 LL

With a much anticipated tournament on our hands, the LL Atom #2 TD Canada Trust took a road trip to Gravenhurst. With our first game TD Canada Trust hosted the Almaguin Ice Devils.

During the first period Ethan Rowe was able to open the scoring with a nice pass from behind the net from Logan Reid directly to Tavia Harris. Tavia chipped the puck up to Ethan with which he found the back of the net.

As the second period opened up, Carson Jones battled the puck up the boards to find Ethan Rowe to make a nice pass across the ice to Logan Reid to sink the puck top shelf.

With Brian Robichaud showing his scrambling skills in net to keep the score at a minimum, Logan Reid was able to break the play at centre ice and defeat both defence and score unassisted.

During the second period, Ethan Rowe broke away and stuck another beautiful top shelf goal unassisted. Minutes later the passing skills of Rowe and Reid allowed Reid to make a beauty pass the Rowe to deke out the goalie for Rowe's very first hat-trick of the season. Final score: 5-3. MVP awarded to Brian Robichaud.

On our second game, South Muskoka Middaugh hosted the TD Canada Trust. With an awesome display of determination from both teams Middaugh was able to open up the scoring. But with the duo of Reid and Rowe, Rowe was able to make a wicked pass across ice to an open Reid to sink the puck right through the glove side. Final score: 4-1. MVP awarded to Logan Reid.

For TD's final game and one of the best games of the season against our very own G.J. Burtch Highland Storm. During the first period Zach Lowe was proving he was a force to reckon with and blocking and scrambling for the puck. During the second period Reid broke away in our end to make a beautiful pass up to Kamauhl Cassey Russel which resulted in a wicked slapshot to score glove side.

During the third period with both Medlar and Harris on defence keeping the puck in Kamauhl was able to set up Rowe to find the back of the net. But in the end our TD's lost to our own G.J. Burtch: 9-2. MVP awarded to Tavia Harris.

Hockey hall of fame ambassador of the season awarded to Logan Reid.

Great season and can't wait for our next.

By Chris McMartin

## Atom LL

This past weekend the GJ Burtch LL Atoms travelled to Gravenhurst to compete in the MPS-LL championship weekend. The Storm's play throughout the year placed them at the top of the Atom B pool.

First game the Storm squared off in a rematch from last weekend against the Wes Finch Atoms from South Muskoka. The Storm would open the scoring less than a minute in when Taylor Mulock drove the net and her resulting rebound landed in front of Isaac Borgdorff who made no mistakes and beat the South Muskoka goalie.

Although the Storm would give up a goal halfway through the period, a minute later Eric Mueller deked their goalie and took the lead 2-1. Assisted by Jacob Davis.

A tight checking second period saw no goals but a ton of excitement.

South Muskoka would tie the game halfway through the third, Davis was having none of that. Thirty seconds later he stripped the puck, streaked toward the net and buried the puck to take the lead. MVP Eric Mueller, final 3-2 Storm.

Second game the Storm would face the Almaguin Ice Devils. Isaac Borgdorff broke away from the Almaguin defence and got the Storm on the board six minutes into the first.

The Storm seemed to find their stride in the second period. Jacob Mantle got the ball rolling with an electrifying end to end run, goal unassisted. Then Eric Mueller set up Olivia Gruppe. Then Sadie Evan-Fockler assisted Mantle's second of the game. Almaguin would not roll over getting the game to within one goal with six minutes remaining.

Layne Robinson scored from Taylor Mulock and Borgdorff. Eighteen seconds later Robinson scores again this time Jacob Davis and Mulock assisted.

His very next shift Robinson scored again completing the natural hat-trick in two minutes and 25 seconds. Assist to Gruppe and Davis. Davis would get a goal of his own a minute later from Mulock and Mueller. MVP Layne Robinson final 8-3

The Storm's final round robin game was against their hometown rivals, the Storm's TD Atoms. Hometown bragging rights on the line, both Storm teams battled extremely hard throughout the first. Eric Mueller was able to open the scoring with 51 seconds left in the first, assist to Taylor Mulock. As the game wore on the Burtch Atoms began to

find the back of the TD net. Mantle had two unassisted rushes up the ice through the TD defence and into the net. Mulock got her first of the game assisted by Isaac Borgdorff and Olivia Gruppe.

In the third it became evident how much the Burtch team wanted this win, particularly Mueller. He scored one, 53 seconds into the third, assists to Gruppe and Borgdorff. TD pushed back with a goal of their own, however so did Mueller scoring on an unassisted breakaway completing his hat-trick.

Forty-five seconds later Mantle made a nice pass up to Mueller who buried his fourth of the game. All of Jacob Davis's hard work throughout the game paid off when Robinson fed him a sweet pass and he got his first of the game. Mantle would complete his hat-trick in the third on another unassisted end to end skate. MVP Olivia Gruppe, 9-2 final.

At the conclusion of round robin the Storm found themselves in first place in the B pool and facing the Huntsville McDonald's Atoms in the B final. Both teams traded chances, the Storm's goalie Jacob Lloyd stood his ground and kept his team in the hunt.

It wasn't until near the end of the second Jacob Davis passed it up to Jacob Mantle who made a couple of quick moves before scoring on the back hand. Layne Robinson would score three minutes into the third from Olivia Gruppe. As the third wore on it became evident that while the Storm's bench was only eight skaters deep, Huntsville's was 15.

Lloyd made some incredible saves as Huntsville mounted a comeback. Some with his toe, others his glove, one with the butt end of his stick. Inevitably after an unfortunate collision that took some Storm players out of the play, Huntsville was able to tie the game up at two.

The first overtime three-on-three settled nothing. Robinson was hauled down on a breakaway, but was denied on the penalty shot. The second overtime two-on-two. The Storm had a terrific chance two minutes into the fifth period.

Huntsville's goalie made a glove save and passed the puck up the ice resulting in the game winning goal. Although the Storm lost in the final they should be proud of their effort and the growth from the beginning for of the year. MVP Jacob Lloyd, final 3-2 Huntsville.

Next up the team travels to Cambridge to compete in the Ayr hockey challenge on March 22-24.

By Jamie Lloyd



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# Hawks eliminate Spartans advancing to COSSA

by **DARREN LUM**  
Times Staff

There wasn't much competition for the Red Hawks in their Kawartha quarter-final play-offs against the LCVI Spartans a little over a week ago.

The senior boys' hockey team made quick work of the visiting Spartans in what is now their last home game this season at the A.J. LaRue Arena on Tuesday, Feb. 26, shutting them out 5-0 to clinch the best-of-two game playoff series, which started with the Hawks winning 6-0 in Lindsay.

The eventual game-winner was scored by Braeden Robinson and was assisted by Benn MacNaull and Nigel Smith. Goals were also scored by Shawn Walker, Alex Little, Lucas Haedicke and Joe Boice. Captain Owen Smith assisted on three of those goals while Smith, Boice and Walker added single assists.

Goalie Carson Sisson earned the shutout with strong supporting cast, which kept the majority of the puck possession and the offensive pressure on the Spartans.

Coach Jason Morissette said the Spartans were missing key players and it factored into the lopsided score, but commended his squad on their attention to team play and adhering to the game plan.

"Every game helps to get ready, to go and do this. When I see them passing, cycling, moving the puck, which they did a lot of. There was a bit of stick-handling [solo] here and there. It's going to happen, but a lot of it still was a lot of team play. Good moving the puck up the ice. The defencemen were passing pucks on to sticks and up they go. Carson played steady. He didn't have a lot of work, but a shutout. Defensive game was solid. It was a shutout so ... a lot of things I saw were still good," he said.

One area of concern he did acknowledge was the team looking past the Spartans to

compete with the tougher teams.

The relatively easy game ensured the team was healthy and somewhat fresh for the semi-finals and finals.

Even when the game was all but decided, he liked to see his team's attention towards executing team plays rather than looking for solo efforts to add to personal statistics.

They did that in their first game after.

Since the Hawks beat the Spartans they went on to beat their semi-final opponent, the second place Holy Cross Hurricanes 8-0, but then lost the Kawartha finals against Kawartha's best team, the St Mary Thunder, 2-1 in Cobourg.

The loss was close to a repeat of the previous game against the Thunder, who scored two unanswered goals to win 2-1 at the A.J. LaRue in Haliburton. St Mary hosted COSSA on Monday, March 4.

Morissette provided a summary of what happened in the Thunder loss, writing in a text, "We scored first in the first period. In the last minute of the second St. Mary tied the game. We came out at start of the third a bit flat and St. Mary went ahead in the first two minutes. Got back on track but we did not capitalize on our [scoring] chances. Both their goalie and ours were very good. I think the difference when you play a very good team that competes as well as St. Mary is that any time you take a shift off and make mistakes they will jump on that and [make the team pay]. At COSSA we will need to focus on a complete game from all players and not allow turn overs. The teams now at this level have super quick transitions onto offence when you turn over any puck. Great hockey with a lot of pressure and opportunity. Fun for our school to take part in."

On Monday morning, the Hawks beat Centre Hastings in the COSSA semi-final 2-1 to advance to the championship final Monday afternoon and played the Thunder of St. Mary.



Red Hawks defenceman Alex Little rushes the puck with teammate Owen Smith looking on, staying ahead of the LCVI Spartans defenders during the second game of the best-of-two Kawartha quarter-finals on Tuesday, Feb. 26.

/DARREN LUM Staff

The Hawks lost a close one, 1-0. The Thunder will represent the region at the all-provincials in Kincardine from March 19 to 21.

See more details in next week's *Times*.

Following the Spartans series win, Morissette said he appreciated his team for not just their on-ice efforts and success this season, but how they've carried them-

selves, whether it's volunteering for Heat Bank Haliburton County or just the way they carry themselves as representatives of the community.

"They've been really good citizens for the school. And even refs, who reffing them in other places have said they've been a good team. This team here is really just based on playing skilled hockey," he said.

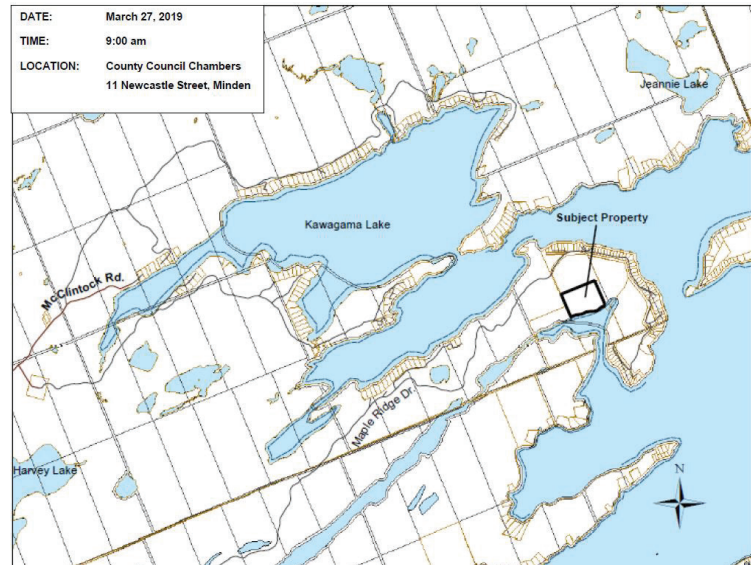


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Section 51 of the *Planning Act*, as amended, and Ontario Regulation 544/06

**File No.:** 46-T-19001  
**Subject Land:** Part of Lot 27, Concession 1, Geographic Township of McClintock  
**Address:** No Address  
**Municipality:** Township of Algonquin Highlands  
**Applicant:** Building Arts Developments Inc.

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**THE PURPOSE AND EFFECT:** The application proposes to create a new four (4) lot plan of subdivision on the subject lands. The lots are proposed for resource based recreational use and will be water access only in a rural/waterfront area of the Township of Algonquin Highlands. Water access utilizing Kawagama Lake will be the primary means of access for each lot.

**OTHER RELATED APPLICATIONS:** None.

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ATT: Mr. Adam Thorn

Operations Manager

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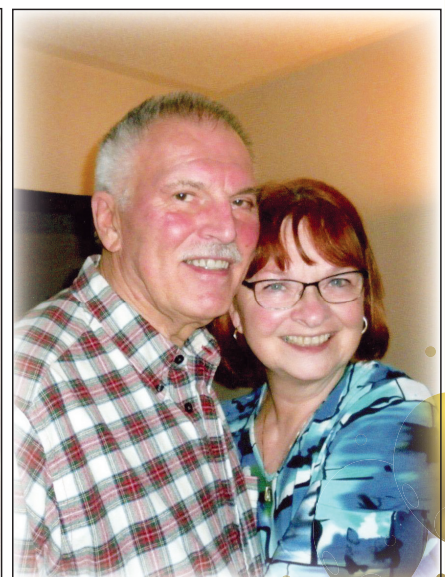
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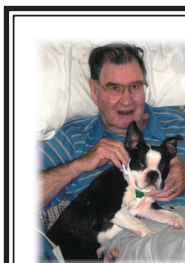
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## Atom B Monarchs win championship

by Jerry Grozelle,  
with notes from Anne Mills

The members of Minden's Atom B Monarchs hockey team have been singing a catchy tune lately. It's called 'We Are The Champions.'

A win or a tie in Beaverton on March 24 would have given Monarchs the Tri-County championship. They had earned seven points with three wins and a tie in the first four games of the championship series against the Beaverton Blades. One more point was all the Monarchs needed to bring home the championship hardware.

Beaverton made it clear early in game five that it wasn't about to give it up without a fight.

The Blades struck first — with just 16 seconds left in the first period. The competition was tight throughout the remainder of regulation time. In the last minute of the third period the Monarchs pulled their goalie in an attempt to salvage a tie. But the gamble backfired when a Beaverton sniper found the open net to salt away the win and force a game six, back in Minden the next day.

### Game six showdown

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The problem at the moment is that a funding application, which was submitted to the Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care over a year ago, has not been approved and now that the space is ready to be occupied, the steering committee overseeing the area is scrambling to fill the space.

Members of the HHHS board were taken on a tour

of the area during the group's meeting March 22 at the Minden facility. They were shown offices designed to accommodate community services agencies, visiting health specialists and social agencies. The south end of the building has been designed as a medical clinic with space for up to four physicians. Other areas in the renovated structure include an exercise/physiotherapy room, an area that could be used for post stroke and heart attack rehabilitation and a tub/shower room.

While the board has yet to receive funding for the centre, it has started to open some of the spaces to agencies and services that the original application envisioned occupying the complex. Dr. Jaan Roos will be starting practice in the medical clinic later this month. A formal announcement is expected when he transfers to that location.

A chiropodist has agreed to provide services at the PCC on a one day a week basis and the HHHS Diabetes Education Network has established an office in the centre and is hosting workshops in the classroom. Other community groups are making use of the meeting room at the centre as well.

The Victorian Order of Nurses is also considering the renovated auditorium as a space for its weekly Adult Day Program. The facility suits the needs of the program since it is secure and includes a large activity area, and a kitchen where clients could participate in cooking activities. The potential for related health services "just down the hall" is an attraction to the group as well.

The committee overseeing the operation of the area is continuing to search for other agencies and

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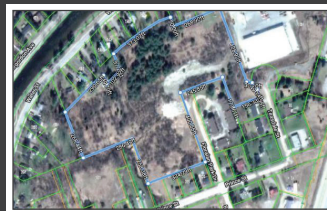
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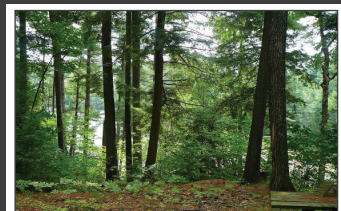
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